# CITY OF MILPITAS COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION MILPITAS CITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM UNAPPROVED MINUTES January 8, 2003

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were and Roll Call Commissioners Abelardo, Cook, Iloreta,

Maglalang, and Mandal

Alternates present were Commissioners King (7:58 pm), Mohsin,

and Ranker (7:03 pm)

Absent: Commissioners Ortiz, Jr., Pham, and Robinson

II. Seating of Alternates Alternates seated were Mohsin and Ranker.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Approval of Agenda

MOTION to approve the Agenda as submitted.

M/S: Iloreta, Cook

Ayes: 7

Absent: 2

(King 7:58 pm

Ranker 7:03 pm)

V. Approval of Minutes MOTION to approve the Minutes of December 4, 2002.

M/S: Maglalang, Iloreta

Ayes: 7

Absent: 2

(King 7:58 pm,

Ranker 7:03 pm)

VI. Announcements Chair Garcia announced the appointment of Alternate Craig Ranker. Staff announced the ECO Pass to the Commission. Staff also announced the Water Awareness Calendar which had a Milpitas 4th grade winner. James Lindsay introduced himself as acting staff liaison until March.

# VII. Citizens' Forum

Chair Garcia invited members of the audience to address the Commission on any item not on the agenda.

Commissioner Maglalang was surprised not to be able to sing religious songs at the tree lighting event last December. He stated they had to decline the invitation to sing at the event. He is requesting to agendize this item regarding the state and federal laws. Councilmember Polanski suggested staff seek information from the City Attorney and report back to the Commission.

### **VIII. Liaison Reports**

## A. City Council

Councilmember Polanski introduced herself to the Commission and gave a brief summary of the most recent City Council items. She circulated a photo taken by Bob Burrill, Milpitas High School photographer, who donated a picture to the City of the Twin Towers. She also circulated information on business ethics and globalization from Vice-Mayor Dixon.

She announced the re-appointment of Commissioners Cook and Pham. Commissioner Abelardo was appointed as regular member of the CAC replacing Councilmember Polanski's position. Commissioner King moved to Alternate 1 and Commissioner Mohsin to Alternate 2. Craig Ranker was appointed to Alternate 3 and Chris Lee to Alternate 4.

Councilmember Polanski announced that Milpitas Unified School District Superintendent Fox resigned.

#### IX. Old Business

#### a. Finalize 2003 Work Plan

Staff stated the CAC would prioritize the Short and Long Term goals and forward them to the City Council for Approval.

Chair Garcia stated that there was an additional task for the 2003 Work Plan. That is to review increasing the term of the Mayor from 2 to 4 years. Commissioner Mandal asked how this item came to the CAC. Chair Garcia stated this item had been discussed in the past and that Vice-Mayor Dixon felt this item could be considered in addition to the Ethical Campaign Workshop item in the short-term goals.

Chair Garcia stated that there are a few items that are well underway and ready to be completed such as Tree Planting and Neighborhood Night-Out and WATCH program. The 50-Year Anniversary needs to be started as soon as possible. Some of the other items could be later in the year.

Commissioner Maglalang asked if the CAC would recommend to City Council the length of the Mayor's term. Commissioner Mandal asked if the CAC would invite other Commissioners to discuss this item. Chair Garcia stated the intent was that a task force of the CAC would review this item and make a recommendation to the City Council. Councilmember Polanski stated that the CAC would be an excellent Commission to take on this task.

Chair Garcia suggested moving the Thank You Activity to long term. Commissioner Mandal suggested moving the Ethical Campaign Workshop to long term also. Chair Garcia stated that the next campaign is in 2004 and that this item would need to stay as a short-term goal.

Commissioner Abelardo felt that the Mayor term and ethical campaign should be combined.

The Commission prioritized the short and long term goals as follows:

#### Short-Term Goals

- 1. Tree Planting
- 2. Neighborhood Night-Out and WATCH
- 3. Subcommittee to help plan Milpitas' 50-Year Anniversary Celebration
- 4. Task Force to review increasing the term of the Mayor from 2 to 4 years
- 5. Ethical Campaign Workshop
- 6. Town Hall Meeting
- 7. Street Sweeping
- 8. Associations Meeting

#### Long-Term Goal

- 1. Cell Phone Usage
- 2. Thank You Activity

The annual recurring tasks are as follows:

### **Annual Recurring Tasks**

- CDBG public hearing process (March)
- Review City calendar theme and layout (March)
- Host NBO booth at Arbor Day, Global Village, and 4th of July events (on-going)
- Select Neighborhood Beautification Awards (October)
- Holiday social and tree trimming (November)
- Work session for annual work plan (December)

MOTION to approve the prioritization for the 2003 Work Plan and forward to the City Council along with the annual recurring tasks for approval.

M/S: Iloreta, Mandal

Ayes: 8

Absent: 1 (King 7:58 pm)

# b. Neighborhood Night-Out Presentation

Commissioner Maglalang gave a presentation on the Neighborhood Night-Out. He presented the Commission with a

packet for approval prior to going to the City Council. The main goal is getting to know your neighbors. Chair Garcia stated that there is three components to this project: 1) the packet of information from Commissioner Maglalang, 2) go to community leaders and present this concept and build support among people who are already leaders (i.e. Commissioners), and 3) have City Council approve this effort.

Chair Garcia stated that the presentation is a draft that would be given to the other Commissions to have them become involved in the community. The CAC would be asking other Commissions to help organize in their neighborhoods. City Council, Police Department, and Fire Department support this program. The event is held during the month of August and hopefully being designated by the City Council.

Block captains or volunteers are asked to coordinate the event by advertising in the neighborhood, inviting City personnel, organizing a potluck, etc. The goal is to expand Neighborhood Night-Out and WATCH throughout the City.

The CAC would be asking the City Council to: 1) designate August as the National Night-Out, 2) task the CAC to brief other Commissions and obtain block captains, and 3) task the Milpitas Police Department to present an annual report to the CAC on Neighborhood Night-Out events.

Commissioner Mandal asked about the commitment of the Milpitas Police Department. Commissioner Maglalang stated that the support of the Police Department is that neighbors would be able to speak to the Police one-on-one about security and other concerns.

MOTION to approve the Neighborhood Night-Out program and forward to City Council for presentation.

M/S: Mandal, Iloreta

Ayes: 8

Absent: 1 (King 7:58 pm)

Commissioner Mandal thanked Commissioner Maglalang for a job well done.

#### X. New Business

# a. Selection of Community Advisory Commission Officers

Commissioner Maglalang re-nominated Chair Garcia as Chairperson. There were no other nominations.

M/S: Maglalang, Mandal

Ayes: 8

Absent: 1 (King 7:58 pm)

Commissioner Abelardo re-nominated Vice-Chair Iloreta as Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations.

M/S: Abelardo, Mandal

Ayes: 8

Absent: 1 (King 7:58 pm)

#### **b. Status of Tree Grants**

Staff stated that Carol Randisi from Public Works was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Staff suggested postponing this item to the February CAC meeting.

Commissioner Maglalang stated that Our City Forest has planted 1200 trees in the last 2 years in Milpitas. The tree grant for the City of Milpitas has been done. He suggested going to City Council for a separate budget for tree planting or try to obtain another grant. Commissioner Maglalang stated that in the Tree Planting Ordinance, the goal is to plant 500 trees in one year. Commissioner Mohsin asked what the estimated budget would be to plant these trees. Commissioner Maglalang stated it was \$100,000 from the Federal Government to plant 1200 trees.

# c. Selection of a 50-Year Anniversary Celebration Subcommittee

Staff stated that as part of the 2002 Work Plan, the City Council approved the CAC participation in the planning of the celebration. Commissioners Maglalang, Abelardo, Mohsin, and Iloreta were selected to form a subcommittee to assist in the planning of this event.

**XI. Adjournment** Chair Garcia adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. to the February 5, 2003 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,	
Yvonne Andrade, Red	cording Secretary